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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

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BILL NUMBER: SB 343

DATE PREPARED: Dec 31, 1998

BILL AMENDED:

SUBJECT: Water pollution control.

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FUNDS AFFECTED: **GENERAL
DEDICATED
FEDERAL**

IMPACT: No Fiscal Impact

Summary of Legislation: This bill provides that a rule adopted by the Water Pollution Control Board to designate a waterbody as an outstanding state resource water or outstanding national resource water expires one year after the date the rule takes effect unless the rule is approved in a statute enacted by the General Assembly before the rule expires. It allows the Indiana Department of Environmental Management (IDEM) to issue National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System permits that include provisions that take into account the effect of wet weather events and drought conditions on: (1) normal permit effluent limits; and (2) the ability of permit holders to attain required water quality standards. It specifies that, after June 30, 1999, unless otherwise required by federal law, the Air Pollution Control Board, Solid Waste Management Board, Water Pollution Control Board, IDEM, and the commissioner of IDEM may not take any action that creates or changes water quality standards concerning antidegradation, sediment criteria, or biocriteria until the earlier of: (1) July 1, 2000; or (2) the date the United States Environmental Protection Agency adopts regulations to revise the Water Quality Standards Regulation concerning the national water quality standards program as described in the Advance Notice of Proposed Rule Making published July 7, 1998, in the Federal Register.

Effective Date: July 1, 1999.

Explanation of State Expenditures:

Explanation of State Revenues:

Explanation of Local Expenditures:

Explanation of Local Revenues:

State Agencies Affected:

Local Agencies Affected:

Information Sources: